

IC 13-26-4

Chapter 4. Board of Trustees of Regional Districts

IC 13-26-4-1

Members

Sec. 1. The board of trustees of a district is the governing body of the district. A board may consist of:

- (1) three (3);
- (2) five (5);
- (3) seven (7);
- (4) nine (9);
- (5) eleven (11); or
- (6) thirteen (13);

trustees.

As added by P.L.1-1996, SEC.16. Amended by P.L.101-2003, SEC.2.

IC 13-26-4-2

Elections; vacancies

Sec. 2. An order establishing a district may provide for the board to be elected by the voters in the district from districts or wards or from the district at large. Elections and provisions for filling vacancies must be in accordance with IC 3, with the commissioner or the commissioner's designees performing the functions of the election officials.

As added by P.L.1-1996, SEC.16.

IC 13-26-4-3

Appointments

Sec. 3. Instead of electing the board, an order establishing a district may provide for appointments to the board by the elected executive or legislative officers of the eligible entities having territory in the district.

As added by P.L.1-1996, SEC.16.

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Number of trustees; appointments by the governor or commissioner of the department of correction

Sec. 4. (a) If:

- (1) a district will include territory in more than one (1) county;
- (2) a county executive has filed a petition for a district including territory owned, leased, or controlled by the department of natural resources; or
- (3) the department of natural resources has filed a petition;

the order establishing the district may provide that the governor appoints any number of trustees, but less than one-half (1/2) of the total.

(b) If a district contains or a proposed district will contain a state correctional facility, the department, when:

- (1) issuing an order establishing the district under IC 13-26-2-10; or

(2) approving or modifying a petition filed by the district's board of trustees under IC 13-26-1-2;
may allow for the appointment of one (1) member of the board of trustees of the district by the commissioner of the department of correction.

As added by P.L.1-1996, SEC.16. Amended by P.L.101-2003, SEC.3.

IC 13-26-4-5

Number of trustees; sewage treatment in cooperation with municipality

Sec. 5. If a plan also contemplates that sewage treatment for the district will be provided in cooperation with a municipality, the order must provide that:

- (1) at least one (1) trustee shall be appointed by the executive of the municipality; and
- (2) at least:
 - (A) one (1) trustee shall be appointed by the fiscal body; and
 - (B) one (1) trustee shall be appointed by the executive; of the county having the largest amount of territory in the district.

As added by P.L.1-1996, SEC.16.

IC 13-26-4-6

Residency

Sec. 6. An appointed trustee does not have to be a resident of the district.

As added by P.L.1-1996, SEC.16.

IC 13-26-4-7

Compensation and expenses of trustees

Sec. 7. (a) The board of a district may provide for the payment of not more than fifty dollars (\$50) per day to members of the board for each day or major part of a day devoted to the work of the district.

(b) Members of the board are entitled to receive an amount for travel expenses equal to the amount paid to state employees for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

(c) Payments made to board members under subsections (a) and (b) shall be made from the general fund of the district.

As added by P.L.1-1996, SEC.16.